IN THE UNITED STATES PATEN	NT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
Application of: Daniel J. Smith et al.) Examiner: Siek, Vuthe
Serial No.: 10/627,056) Art Unit: 2825
Filed: July 25, 2003) Confirmation No. 2207
For: GENERATING A SPLIT POWER PLANE OF A MULTI-LAYER PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD) Attorney Docket No. 003921.0015

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed January 25, 2005. The Examiner set a three-month period for response, thus making this response due on or before **April 25, 2005**. It is believed there is no fee due in connection with this filing. If a fee is due, the Office is authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Amendments to claims 1 and 27, and a complete listing of the claims, begin on page 2 of this paper.

Applicants' Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.